

THREE MORE SLAIN NEAR PARIS BY THE 'PHANTOM BANDITS'

Notorious Band of Criminals Also Rob a Bank on Sunday.

PARIS, March 25.—Three additional human lives paid toll today to the "phantom bandits," the most notorious band of criminals that have operated in France in years. The Chateaufort branch of the Bank of the Societe Generale was robbed of a large sum of money.

For boldness of execution today's crimes have seldom been paralleled. The police are without clues. They have an abandoned high-powered automobile, stolen by the robbers after they had murdered one of the occupants and wounded another. It does not aid the solution of the crime. The police believe the men were disguised and that in a place of safety they removed the disguises and now are mingling with the public.

Operations Are Uncanny.
So uncanny have been the operations of the bandits, so swift and certain their work, and so utterly baffling their complete disappearance after each crime that the best men in the French secret service have almost abandoned the case. Today's was a duplicate of others, with the exception that more victims fell before the deadly fire of the desperadoes.

The first report came from the outskirts of the city. A number of automobiles passed, but they made no move. Finally, a high-powered car, with owner in the rear seat and chauffeur at the wheel, approached at a fast rate. One of the men stepped into the gutter and jumped into the car. It disappeared toward the city before horrified onlookers could make a move.

Sent Hurried Warning.
The police sent a hurried warning broadcast, and then came word of another crime. Officials at Chantilly, site of the great race course, sent word that three men had entered the branch bank there, riddled with bullets two watchmen who had offered no resistance, appropriated all of the cash in sight, and escaped.

An hour later the automobile was found abandoned near Chantilly. Inquiry in the neighborhood failed to reveal trace of them. The police believe they had another automobile nearby, using it to get to their hiding place, which it is believed is in this city.

TO SUSTAIN PROJECT FOR CONVENTION HALL

Washington Not To Abandon Work Of Raising \$250,000 For Memorial Building.

Washington is not to abandon the work of raising \$250,000 as the share of the capital in the proposed George Washington Memorial Convention Hall, despite the fact that one of the committees connected with the work has signified its willingness to step aside and allow the appointment of others.

The active work of raising Washington's share of the \$250,000 fund for the building has been in charge of the committee of the Chamber of Commerce for the last year. At the last meeting of the committee, about three weeks ago, a special subcommittee was appointed to investigate a method of raising the balance without further delay. This subcommittee expected to report at the next meeting of the committee.

The committee which has signified its willingness to step aside from further labor is composed of W. V. Cox, chairman; Henry P. Blair, secretary; H. B. F. Macfarland, W. F. Gude, Charles J. Bell, Milton E. Allen, and W. D. Hoover. This subcommittee was appointed about a year and a half ago by the conventions committee of the chamber, to the funds in hand and which is still engaged in efforts to complete the fund.

A new finance committee may be named by Mrs. Henry F. Dimock, president of the George Washington Memorial Association.

High School Boys and Girls Here to See City

Boys and girls from high schools in Maine, New Hampshire, and Massachusetts accompanied by teachers and parents started out from the Grand Hotel this morning to see the sights of Washington.

The parties arrived yesterday for an annual visit and will see all that is interesting to young America in Washington in the next three days. A party from Westbrook, Me., composed of girls and boys from the Westbrook High School is headed by Prof. W. B. Andrews. From the Pepperell High School, at Pepperell, Mass., thirteen girls and boys are taken care of by Frank H. Mahon and Mrs. Conant Phinney. From Mansfield, Mass., the party of twenty-seven is under the care of W. S. Kelley, Mrs. W. C. Fuller, and Mrs. H. R. Newman.

From Lewiston, Me., a party of more than 100 under the direction of Miss Eva L. Phillips has been drawn from the Lewiston High School. From the Augusta, the Thornton Academy, at Saco, Me., and the New Gloucester High School, at Gloucester, Me.

Detectives Act as Bodyguard to Judge

NEW YORK, March 25.—Because of the discovery of a second bomb in the mails intended for Judge Rosakovsky, of the court of general sessions, police Captain Tunney today detailed three detectives to act as a bodyguard to the judge.

In addition the postal authorities arranged to examine every package received addressed to the apartment house in which the judge lives. The postoffice authorities also are on the alert to express the fear that the bomb sender will try to kill some one else before he is finally caught. Consequently, they have warned all public officials who receive strange packages to have them opened by the police.

ALLEGED BRIBERY CHARGE TO WAIT ON REGULAR JURY

Special Verdict Not to Be Called in Local Option Case.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., March 25.—There is no likelihood that a special grand jury will be called to dispose of the charges made against State Auditor John F. O'Malley by Delegate William R. Smallwood, who has told the Maryland Legislature that the former offered him \$2,500 to change his vote on the local option bill.

While the testimony taken by a special committee of the house last week has not yet been put in the hands of the State's attorney, this is likely to be done at any hour. Everything points to the original intention of allowing the regular Anne Arundel grand jury, which meets April 15, take up the matter.

Mr. O'Malley spent a part of yesterday in Washington and today is at his home at Elkridge. The purpose of his trip to Washington has not been disclosed, although it is declared by his friends that it was not in connection with the charges which have been made against him. Mr. O'Malley, his friends say, has made arrangements to employ counsel, and if the case ever comes up before the grand jury, is ready to supplement his former statement made to the special committee by giving more detailed facts.

THIEVES CONTINUE THEIR OPERATIONS

Police Get Reports of Robberies From All Sections of the City.

Several thefts in different parts of the city are engaging the attention of the police today.

William C. Connor, of 307 M street northwest, reported to the police of the Ninth precinct that his summer home at Nineteenth and Bryant street northeast had been entered during the last few weeks and articles valued at \$15 stolen.

John C. Proctor, of 1233 Madison street northwest, complained that his home had been entered by means of a duplicate key during the absence of members of the family, and an Eastern Star jewel, worth \$20 and \$4 in money stolen. The tailor shop of Abraham Sobel, 2150 Pennsylvania avenue northwest, entered yesterday and clothing valued at \$80 stolen. Mrs. A. E. Summers, of 1201 K street northwest, reported the theft of a pocketbook containing \$15 from her room.

NEW JERSEY WORKERS ON VERGE OF STRIKE

Mills in Paterson District Are Already Closed Down.

PATERSON, N. J., March 25.—The labor situation in scores of silk and textile mills in North Jersey was serious today. Enthusiastic over the great victory in Paterson, where the mill owners granted increased wages and standardized hours, the Industrial Workers of the World, were today threatening to tie up all of the plants in Passaic, Hackensack, and the many small towns in that section. Some of the biggest mills in Passaic are already tied up and in others the workers are ready to go out.

The men demand a minimum wage rate which the mill owners say would cause bankruptcy in a month. The Garfield Worsted Company, the Gera Mills and the many small mills in Passaic, were closed tight today, and the operators at the Botany Woolen Company's plant were said to be ready to walk out. The strike leaders say there will be no violence.

Census Bureau Makes Report on Cotton

The Census Bureau today announced that 16,723,221 bales of cotton represents the supply for six-month period ending February 29, 1912.

Stocks at the beginning of period are given at 1,375,031 bales; ginlings, 15,279,522; and imports, 66,668.

Distribution: Exports, 8,007,814 bales; consumption, 2,623,379; stocks, close of February, 6,092,028 bales.

Segregation of stocks held February 29: Manufacturers, 1,542,529; independent warehouses, 2,280,866; elsewhere, 2,268,623 bales.

Give Theater Party in Honor of Shriner Heads

William Hamilton Smith, potentate of Almas Temple, Ancient Arabic Order, Mystic Shrine, and Dr. Charles A. Stewart, newly elected captain of the Arab Patrol of the Shrine, will be jointly the guests of a theater party to be given in their honor this evening by their fellow Shriner, Masons, their wives, relatives, and friends who practically possess a "Party" is to be given.

Nearly every seat in the house has been sold to members of the Shrine and their friends, according to Lawrence Walker, chairman of the committee on arrangements.

Do not neglect your health—laxatives are necessary sometimes. Make sure of the best—then go ahead.

Hunyadi Janos Water
Natural Laxative
Recommended by Physicians for CONSTIPATION

URGES PROBE OF INSURANCE TRUST

Congressman Jackson Scores Companies Who Insure Against Fire.

Supporting his resolution in favor of an investigation of the fire insurance companies, Congressman Jackson of Kansas, told the House Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce today that more than \$427,000,000 in property and 4,691 lives were sacrificed in fires in the United States last year. These figures, he said, were exclusive of the losses through forest fires.

The Jackson resolution asks the committee of corporations to make an exhaustive investigation of the methods of fire insurance companies, members of the committee expressed doubt of the authority of the Government to undertake such an inquiry, but both Mr. Jackson and George H. Holt, of Chicago, the latter manager of the Policy Holders' Union, and an insurance counselor, said that the Federal Government should act if the States are to enact regulatory legislation.

Congressman Jackson asserted that the fire insurance industry is a "natural monopoly." The insurance companies, he said, appropriate territory among themselves and fixed rates that were unscientific and inexplicable.

"Then, the companies virtually hold the country by the throat," he said. "Practically," said Mr. Jackson, who added that the policyholder, or the consumer, pays the tax. The committee postponed action on the Jackson resolution.

Women's "Slip-on" Raincoats

Hayden's Price, \$6; Our Price \$1.98

Hayden's stock of English "Slip-on" Raincoats for women. In tan only; guaranteed rain-proof; seams stitched and reinforced; full cut and well tailored. Hayden's price, \$6.00. Our price, \$1.98.

Men's 50c "Onyx" Silk Hose

Hayden's stock of Men's Pure Silk Half Hose, the famous "Onyx" brand; extra heavy quality; in black, tan, navy blue, gray, and all colors. Hayden's price, 50c pair. Our price, 25c pair.

Hayden's Stock of Women's Gloves

2-Clasp Silk Gloves, with double-tipped fingers, in black and white; all sizes. Hayden's price, 90c pair. Our price, 39c.

12 and 16 Button Length Silk Gloves, with double-tipped fingers; in black and white, all sizes. Hayden's price, 75c pair. Our price, 59c.

16-button Length Silk Gloves, with double-tipped fingers, in black and white; a well-known name; all sizes. Hayden's price, \$1 pair. Our price, 69c.

Big Ribbon Values

From the Hayden Stock

All-silk Moire Ribbons, Dresden and Queen Ribbons, 5 inches wide, in all the newest color combinations and spring shades. Hayden's price, 25c yard. Our price, 16c.

Colored Satin-back Velvet Ribbons, in every wanted spring shade; No. 12 width; in great demand for millinery trimmings. Hayden's price, 45c yard. Our price, 29c.

Girls' Wash Dresses

2 to 6 Year Sizes . . . 50c

A new lot of Children's Wash Dresses, of gingham and percale materials; in neat pink and blue stripes and checks. Trimmed with contrasting colors. High and low neck styles. Sizes 2 to 6 years.

Regular \$1.00 Batiste Brassieres, 49c

Now Brassieres, of fine batiste and madras, with large shirred necks and yokes of excellent grade eyelet embroidery, edged with embroidery, and boned with "Whal" Regular \$1.00 value for 19c.

Regular \$5.00 Silk Kimonos, \$3.98

Hayden's stock of Long Silk Kimonos, in beautiful floral and conventional patterns; choice of navy, red, lavender, black and violet. Trimmed with messaline satin borders. Regular \$5.00 values for \$3.98.

COLUMBIA PLAYERS TO GIVE BENEFIT FOR WOMEN'S CLUBS

Proceeds Shall Go to the Proposed Building Fund.

The benefit to be given tomorrow night by the Columbia Players for the building fund of the District of Columbia Federation of Women's Clubs is the first step that has been taken toward obtaining the money for a building such as the women affiliated with this organization think should be erected in this city. During the coming year a number of other enterprises for raising money are planned.

The District federation comprises eighteen representative women's organizations. The presidents of the various organizations are the following: Mrs. Charlotte E. Maine, Aid Association for the Blind; Mrs. Elizabeth A. Stokes, Columbia Heights Art Club; Mrs. Margaret C. Buell, Chapter D. P. E. O.; Mrs. Adolph Kahn, Washington Alliance of Jewish Women; Mrs. Emma F.

Soldier Is Made Subject of Sermon

Forty-six years ago, when the 117th New York Volunteer Regiment was guarding Washington, W. H. H. Clark, of Pittsfield, Mass., was converted and baptized at the Second Baptist Church, Fourth and Virginia avenues southeast.

Yesterday he again visited the church and was made the subject of a sermon, the Rev. Hinson V. Howlett preaching on the different attitude assumed toward duty by a soldier who has accepted the Christian faith. After the sermon Mr. Clark made a brief speech, declaring that his conversion had changed him as a soldier.

NEW BELASCO PLAY COMING IN APRIL

"The Governor's Lady" Was Selection of His Daughter, Now Dead.

From New York comes the announcement that David Belasco's newest production, "The Governor's Lady," is to have its tryout in Washington late in the month of April, with Emmett Corrigan in the principal part. The announcement carries with it an interesting side story. The drama was selected by Mr. Belasco's daughter, the charming girl whose death, shortly after her marriage to William Elliott, was particularly sad and touching. Mrs. Elliott had been endeavoring to interest her father in the play, and he had already promised to produce it when she was seized with her fatal illness, and so the undertaking was laid aside. In the interval Mr. Belasco has devoted considerable time to work upon the manuscript, and it is said he will give his personal attention to the stage preparations.

It is Mr. Belasco's intention to make this play the opening attraction at the Republic Theater, New York, next season, the first performance to take place on Labor Day. Mr. Corrigan has entered upon a two years' contract with the Belasco Theater, the exact date of the Washington opening has not yet been announced by Mr. Belasco, but it is unofficially stated that it will probably be the last week in April.

Masonic Degree Work.

Washington Chapter, No. 2, Royal Arch Masons, will confer the mark master's degree Thursday night at 7:30 o'clock in the chapter rooms at the new Masonic Temple, Delos W. Thayer, high priest, will preside, and Edwin A. Nease, king, will confer the degree. It will be the semi-monthly meeting of the chapter. A large crowd is expected.

MEDICINE Versus NATURE

Why turn yourself into a medicine-chest, filling it with every new concoction that comes along? Nature does the curing, not medicine. Ask your Doctor if **SUNSHINE** AND **Scott's Emulsion** is not the treatment for Coughs and Colds, Grippe, and many other ills.

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